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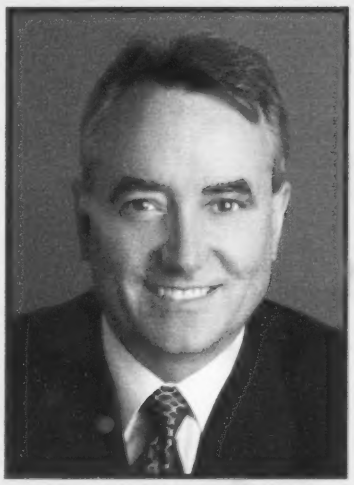

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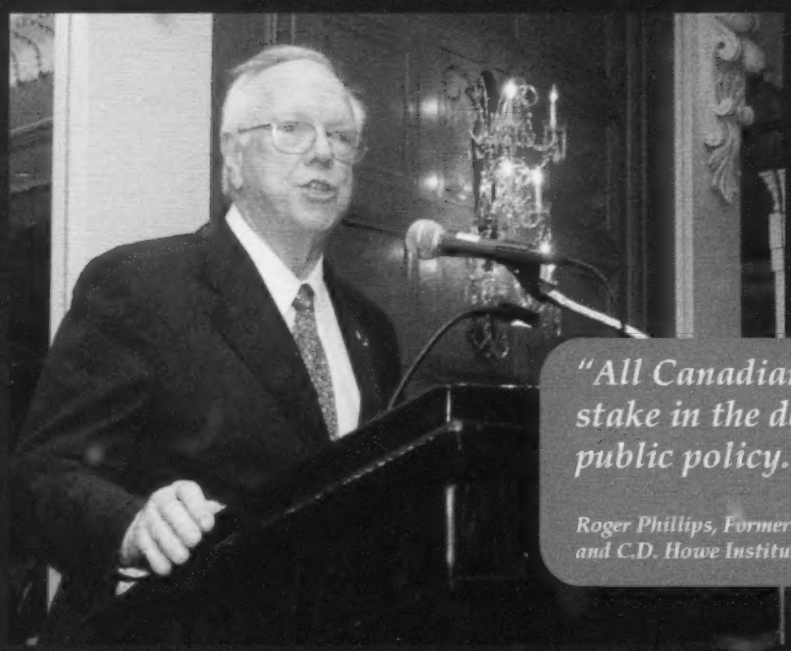

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The Institute also launched a new book at the dinner, Securing Monetary Stability: Canada's Monetary Regime after 2011, edited by Professor David Laidler, Fellow-in-Residence at the Institute.

Institute President William B.P. Robson announced the naming of an annual Roundtable in Monetary Policy after Professor Laidler, in recognition of his outstanding contribution to monetary policy research and his work at the Institute.

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